# MIAMI COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014 1:00 P.M. GAR ROOM-MIAMI COUNTY COURTHOUSE

#### **MINUTES**

The Miami County Solid Waste District held a meeting of the Board of Directors on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. in the GAR Room in the Miami County Courthouse, located at 25 North Broadway, Peru, Indiana.

## Attending:

Board Members: Don Morris-Chairman-Town of Converse, Larry West-member-County Commissioner, Joshua Francis-member-County Commissioner, Jerry Hamman-member-County Commissioner, Tom Gustin-member-Peru City Council, Shirley Mull- Miami County Council Member.

**Staff Attending**: Samantha Ward-Executive Director, Carla Weaver-Assistant Director/Recording Secretary.

Others: Bobbie Dausch-Contractor for the District, Ron Dausch-Contractor for the District, Jeff Barnes-Contractor for the District.

Absent: Jim Walker-Mayor of Peru, Pat Roberts-Legal Counsel.

Call to Order: Chairman Don Morris called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M.

# Approval of Minutes:

• Board members reviewed the meeting minutes from the November 17, 2014 Board of Directors meeting. *Mr. Gustin motioned to approve the meeting minutes; Mr. West seconded. Motion carried (5–0).* 

# Approval of Financial Report and Claims:

• There was no discussion of Claims. *Mr. Gustin motioned to approve the financial report and claims received by email; Mr. Francis seconded. Motion carried* (5–0).

# **Director's Report**

- Ms. Ward told the board she met with Mr. West and Mr. Hamman for work on the Five Year Plan for the District. All districts in the state are writing five year plans in anticipation of the upcoming review of districts by the State Legislature. Ms. Ward expressed appreciation for the help and input received from Mr. Hamman and Mr. West.
- Ms. Ward presented the tentative meeting and event schedules for 2015.
   Events are scheduled for approximately the same times as those in 2014.
   Board meetings will be held the third Monday of every month at 1 PM, with the exception of January and February. Meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of those months due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. and President's Day holidays respectively.

### Lawyer's Report

• Mr. Roberts is on vacation. There is no lawyer's report.

## **Building Committee Report**

- The committee did not meet in December. Mr. Morris informed the board that he was contacted by Ron Phillips from Camper's Choice. The sale for that property fell through and he asked if the district was still interested in purchasing the property. Mr. Francis expressed concern about maintaining the grounds during the winter. He also expressed concern with the hill where the building sits. He did state the location was very good. Mr. Hamman suggested the district make an offer on the property and acquire a permanent facility.
- Mr. Morris presented another property to consider. This property is located on Logansport Road just east of the US 31 overpass. The land is flat, which would eliminate the concern of the steep hill to access the building. The property also has a partial fence.
- There was discussion of pros and cons of building a new facility versus purchasing an existing structure. Mr. West and Mr. Hamman were concerned about the cost of building new becoming very expensive. Mr. Hamman also mentioned there were numerous building codes that would need to be met. Mr. Francis stated that an existing structure would need to be inspected and brought up to code. There was discussion questioning if the company putting the building specifications together could also bid on the project.

#### **Old Business**

- Proposals for the White Goods pick up program were opened. The district received one proposal from R & B Contracting. *Mr. Francis motioned to take the bid under advisement. Mr. Gustin seconded. Motion carried* (5–0).
- Mr. Roberts is not returning until December 19. It is unknown if there would be enough time for him to review the proposal before scheduling a special meeting to make a decision to accept or deny the proposal. Ms. Ward was concerned about the timing for proper advertising of the special meeting with the upcoming Christmas holiday. The board will attempt to hold a special meeting December 29, 2014 at 8:00 AM if Mr. Roberts could review the contract and the proper advertising could be done.
- R & B Contracting will have their current contract extended until January 31, 2015.

#### **New Business**

#### **Public Comment**

• Mr. Dausch clarified that the current white goods contract would be extended until January 31, 2015.

## **Next Board Meeting:**

• BOARD OF DIRECTORS – TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015 at 1:00 P.M. GAR ROOM – MIAMI COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

Adjournment: Adjournment was unanimous.

Carla Weaver, Recording Secretary

Don Morris, Board Chairman